

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 11 and 25 without prejudice to resubmission to read as follows:

--11. (Amended) An inner shoe which comprises:

a removable midsole section sized to fit inside and form part of the sole of a shoe designed to receive and retain said removable midsole section;

a secondary outer sole on at least a portion of the outer surface of the removable midsole section to provide traction or wear resistance when said inner shoe is worn without the shoe designed to receive and retain said removable midsole section;

a device associated with the removable midsole section for retaining the inner shoe on an intended wearer's foot when worn without the shoe designed to receive and retain the removable midsole section; and

wherein said inner shoe is removable from said shoe in order to wear said inner shoe independently of said shoe.

25. A removable midsole section sized to fit inside a shoe and form part of the shoe designed to received and retain said removable midsole section, which comprises:

an inner surface and an outer surface which together define the removable midsole section having a lateral side, a medial side and a middle portion located between the lateral and medial sides;